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Attorney Docket No. 175483

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Feldbau et al.

Group Art Unit: 2767

Serial No. 08/981,461

Examiner: Trevor Coddington

Filed: December 23, 1997

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR
AUTHENTICATING THE DISPATCH
AND CONTENTS OF DOCUMENTS

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 3, 1999, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 64, 75, 94, 125, 137, 149, and 158-160 as follows:

64. (Amended) Apparatus for authenticating that certain

information has been transmitted from a sender via a dispatcher to a recipient, the apparatus comprising:

means for providing a set A comprising a plurality of information elements a1,...,an, where said information element

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